

20. (Amended) Cardboard matches as claimed in [one of the claims 13 to 19] claim 13, characterized in that the shape of the strips (5) and a printed motif (15) are matched to one another.

21. (Amended) Cardboard matches as claimed in [one of the claims 13 to 20] claim 13, characterized in that the igniting mass (9) is colored.

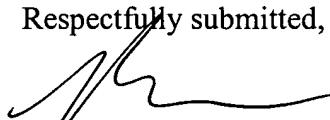
22. (Amended) A book of matches with at least one cardboard match as claimed in [one of the claims 13 to 21] claim 13.

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Claims 1 - 22 were in the application following amendments made Under Art. 34 of the Patent Cooperation Treaty in the course of International Preliminary Examination under Chapter II of the PCT (Claims: (amended) Sheets 1 - 3). By Preliminary Amendment herein, claims 3, 5, 7, 9, 12, 16 and 18 - 22 are amended herein to remove multiple dependencies. No new matter is introduced by any of the amendments, and entry thereof is requested. Claims 1 - 22 are now in the application. Examination of the Application, as amended, is requested.

If the Examiner determines that a conference would facilitate prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' representative, undersigned, at the telephone number set out below.

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